

HOUSE PROUD OF RECORD IN FIRST HALF OF SESSION

Has Transacted Much Business and Distinguished Itself for Economy, Members Say

Today marks the beginning of the second half of the eighth legislature of the territory of Hawaii and, comparing the accomplishments in progressive legislation, the onlookers and members of the Capitol circle have high praise. Members of the house in particular are pointing with pride to their work.

Comparing the work of the legislature and of the house the first branch of the legislature has passed nine bills on final reading, while the house has passed 43 measures and sent those to the senate. The senate has not acted on the majority of these bills, only a few of them having found their way to the governor. The house, on the other hand, has passed all of the bills up to the time limit set by law. That is, the law provides that at least three days must transpire between the time the house gets the senate bill and passes it on final reading.

While the house achieved distinction over former legislatures in quick work and speed in considering legislation, it will go down in the records this year as being one of the most economical legislative organizations in the history of Hawaii. Although there have been 250 bills introduced, the several investigations made, two weeks have been required for the services of legal and technical advice and court stenographers, the total expense of the house for the first half of the session amounted to less than \$7000 from the appropriation of \$20,000 for the session. Of the federal fund of \$18,000, only \$1581.51 has been expended.

Remarkable on the economical victory for the house, Speaker Holstein said before the legislature.

"The members of this house are to be congratulated on the promptness with which bills were considered, the good judgment displayed on many occasions and on the economical strides this year."

That the house has carefully considered the bills before acting upon them is indicated by the fact that of the 126 bills reported upon, 43 have been passed, 32 others have been tabled and the others are now pending final reading in accordance with the rules.

Speaker Holstein, Representatives Crockett, Wainana, and Crockett and Clerk Woodward deserve a good part of the credit for the good showing of the house of representatives this year," declared one of the men who have been in daily attendance.

One strange exception to the common routine of legislatures of other states is the almost total absence of logrolling methods, the system more commonly known as "I'll vote for your bill if you'll vote for mine."

Some members, however, have had ill luck with their offerings. Eli J. Crawford's bills have met, in large numbers, the sad fate to which "freak" bills are eventually consigned. They were tabled. In a single day the house has tabled as many as two or three Eli Crawford bills. As a result Crawford is particularly lynx-eyed at bills introduced by other members and has wielded the hammer ruthlessly. Often he has been the only man to vote against a bill.

Norman S. Lyman, representative from Hawaii, has been the hardest worker for his constituents of any member; he has been successful, although most of them carried appropriations for various improvements on the Big Island. Crockett, too, has been busy, but most of his efforts were directed to defense and in the interest of social welfare bills affecting the entire territory.

It is estimated that one-third of the house bills will be made law. Figuring on that basis the cost to the territory will be about \$60 each. The average cost per bill in California, on the same basis, is \$100.

The secretary of agriculture released more than 28,000 square miles of territory in several southern states from the Texas fever quarantine.

A bill was introduced in the Texas legislature providing that corporations convicted of violating the anti-trust laws may re-enter the state.

SENATE ACTS ON TWO IMPORTANT MEASURES TODAY

Scheduled to Take Up Health Board's Powers and Confirmation of Effinger

Two important features were scheduled for today's session in the senate. The senate now is half over and the really important business is in full blast. In secret session the senate was to consider further the confirmation of John Effinger's appointment as fair commissioner, and in committee of the whole the members were to take up the health board, president of the board of health, on the subject to explain a number of health bills.

In addition to killing Senator Dasha's hotel register measure yesterday the upper house again delved into the bulky document entitled S. B. 48, which proposes an entirely new form of county government for the island of Hawaii. The bill was read throughout by the clerk but practically no comment was made upon it. Senator Metzger, the introducer, asked that action be postponed until Friday. He said he has a number of amendments to offer and presumed other members would like to prepare and offer some alterations to the measure.

Metzger's request was granted and the bill will be undertaken in committee of the whole tomorrow. While a large number of the senators are inclined to favor the reorganization scheme in a general way they seem to think some of the changes it suggests are entirely too drastic and it is expected that a number of these will be materially modified before the bill is taken up for passage.

There was talk yesterday of summing up John Effinger before the senate in executive session to discuss the matter of his confirmation. It was thought the suggestion would be renewed when the executive session began this afternoon. A large list of election inspector appointments also awaits confirmation and though in general it is expected the senate will confirm all with little delay there were rumblings of discord over a few names yesterday, with the hint that an active fight against certain inspectors might develop today.

Four health bills were up for reading in committee of the whole yesterday, but all were postponed until today, when Dr. Pratt is to be heard. The measures are S. B. 28, 29, 30, and H. B. 129. As soon as the first, S. B. 28, was read yesterday the members realized that it gave the health officials a sweeping power under the head of "Abating Nuisances" and they quickly decided they must have more definite information as to just how much power it really would give.

Senator Panahow was one to make a pointed criticism of the health board, commenting that a law which the legislature of 1913 enacted in all good faith to give the board power in a certain direction, was later found to convey much broader authority, and though it had not been enacted with that intent the health officers proceeded to enforce it to the limit. He thought the lawmakers should be more careful and keep their eyes open for "jokers" of similar character in the present bills.

Metzger added a sarcastic comment that the health board already has so much authority that apparently the only thing it needs now to give it the power of the czar or all the Rasnais is the authority to declare martial law.

TWO MEASURES SIGNED: BREWERY BILL HELD UP

The governor today signed two bills, as follows:

H. B. 30, as Act 25, giving persons under arrest the right to obtain legal counsel.

H. B. 52, as Act 26, relating to licenses to slaughter and sell beef.

The bill extending the franchise of the Honolulu Brewing and Malting Co. has been on the governor's desk three days, but he had not signed it this morning. Unless he either signs or vetoes it within ten days from the date it reached him the measure automatically becomes effective.

Minister of Agriculture Cavasola of Italy, announced that the total amount of wheat contracted for by Italy in the United States and Argentina was 40,500,000 bushels.

HAWAII'S TABLET ON WASHINGTON MEMORIAL URGED

The territory of Hawaii will be represented in the Washington monument at the nation's capital, along with the states of the Union, if the plans of Speaker Holstein of the House of Representatives are carried out.

The speaker gave to the Star-Bulletin today his proposal that the territory send a stone slab for the interior decoration of the national monument. At present there are many slabs on the monument to George Washington's memory and the speaker proposed that Hawaii take action this year.

In accordance therewith, Holstein conferred with Professor Bryson of the College of Hawaii today on the matter of selecting a stone. It was agreed that a good specimen of blue stone would be the best material for the territory's gift and the speaker will call the matter to the attention of the house in a few days.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES

Saturday afternoon the members of the house will visit Halealalika home for Girls, Palama, on invitation of the trustees of the institution.

Speaker Holstein will confer with leaders in the campaign against the spread of tuberculosis late this afternoon, following the session of the house.

Goodness introduced a bill in the house to allow the inmates of the Mokuolu settlement to elect their own sheriff instead of having that official appointed by the board of health as at present.

Army and navy and national guard officers will be relieved from the payment of automobile taxes to the territory if Senator Wirtz's S. B. 72 is enacted. The bill amends the present auto tax law purely to exempt these people.

The members of the senate were invited to accompany the representatives on a round of visits this morning to the quarantine station, agricultural station, Normal School and other territorial institutions, though not all of the senators were able to make the trip. A number of important committee sessions were called in the upper house this morning.

The large laundry owners want to be heard before the senate passes house bill 130, exempting washerwomen from the \$25 annual fee. Senator Baker of the health committee announced he had received several such requests yesterday. On his motion the bill was recommitted to the health committee, which will hear the big laundresses' argument.

The bill proposing to create the department of territorial comptroller, S. B. 4, was reported out by the senate judiciary committee yesterday, but after several amendments were recommended it was recommitted to the committee for further correction. The committee caused S. B. 4 to be killed. The latter measure, relating to the transfer of the duties of the county auditor and the territorial bank examiner to the territorial auditor, it is understood that S. B. 4 disposes of the subject by giving these powers into the hands of the new department, the office of territorial comptroller.

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CONGRESS ASKED TO CUT CLAUSE ON FREE SUGAR

Representative Crockett of Maui introduced a concurrent resolution in the house yesterday, petitioning Congress to remove the free sugar clause from the existing tariff bill, giving as a reason the quarantine on other island products. The resolution is being considered this afternoon.

Whereas, the free sugar clause in the existing tariff law, when it becomes effective, will have an injurious effect on the domestic sugar industry, and particularly that of the Territory of Hawaii; and

Whereas, owing to the federal agricultural quarantine regulations other products of Hawaiian soil are largely excluded from the mainland; therefore be it

Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the president of the United States, the vice-president of the United States, speaker of the house of representatives of the congress, and to the delegate to congress from Hawaii.

SPECIAL SHIPPING HARBOR NOTES

The schooner Honolulu, with lumber and general cargo from San Francisco, was off Hana, Maui, when the inter-island steamer Claudine left the island for Honolulu yesterday afternoon.

Fast work will be done in discharging the schooner McTurner of lumber and general cargo at Kahului, Maui. The vessel met with favorable wind and smooth seas on the trip from the coast.

According to report brought by Purser A. Pieper of the steamer Claudine, 1400 sacks of sugar are awaiting shipment at Kipahulu.

The inter-island steamer Claudine from Maui ports today brought 35 head of cattle, 62 head of hogs, one automobile, 12 crates of chickens, 115 packages of empty bottles, 56 sacks of taro and 89 packages of sundries. The Claudine had smooth seas and light winds in retreating to port.

Taking 3180 tons of sugar supplied at Honolulu, the American-Hawaiian freighter Steamer will steam for Port Allen, Kahului and Hilo this evening. The vessel will complete cargo at the island ports for New York by the way of Panama canal.

Barb Glenosha for Honolulu. The Norwegian bark Glenosha, with a full cargo of phosphate rock supplied at Makatea Island, in the South Pacific, is reported to have sailed for Honolulu. The vessel will bring fertilizer material to the Pacific Guano Company. The bark is expected to arrive here about April 15.

Four stowaways discovered by officers in the Oceanic liner Sonoma after that vessel had proceeded some distance from Sydney, N. S. W., were turned over to Harbor Officer Carter upon the arrival of the vessel at Honolulu this morning. The stowaways, next, are returned to Australia on the next steamer leaving for the Colonies.

All Well With Ventura. The Oceanic liner Ventura, to which left Honolulu for Australia on Monday afternoon, was 1007 miles off the port at noon today, according to a wireless message sent the local Federal Telegraph station. Captain Dawson reported light northeast winds, moderate sea and swell and all well on board. The vessel will call at Pago Pago to land passengers and supplies for the United States naval station.

Enterprise Making Better Time. After the installation of new boilers and a general overhauling of its machinery, the Matson steamer Enterprise employed in the movement of freight and passengers between San Francisco and Hilo, is reported to have made such better time. The vessel is expected to reduce the steaming time about 10 hours. The Enterprise is at Hilo to deliver about 3000 tons of general cargo. It will load a full shipment of sugar before proceeding to the Pacific coast.

Rudolph Berger, one of the principal singers in German operas at the Manhattan Opera House, died in New York of illness contracted in the Austrian army.

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HOUSE MEMBERS MAKE TOUR OF INSTITUTIONS

Members of the house of representatives toured the various territorial institutions in automobiles this morning, the inspection continuing from 9 o'clock until 1 o'clock this afternoon. Among the institutions visited were the animal quarantine, agricultural experiment station, Girls' Industrial school, College of Hawaii and the United States experimental station in Manoa Valley.

At the industrial school the members reviewed the classes of girls, including the rug weaving, matting and industrial training methods. The members displayed great interest in the entomological specimens at both the experimental stations and at the College of Hawaii. An informal expression of those who visited the institutions today indicates that the majority of the house favors consolidation of the agricultural departments.

An amusing incident created a general laugh at the college. D. P. R. Isenberg, Oahu delegate, inquired on arrival at the college for the location of the drinking fountain. He was directed to a basement room. Not knowing where Isenberg was going and thinking that he was "taking in the sights," the members of the house trailed after him, much to their chagrin.

"It is to be regretted that Honolulu young men and women do not take advantage of the opportunities offered at the College of Hawaii for advanced studies," said Speaker Holstein after the tour. "The courses are equal to any coast institutions, and it is a shame that the number of students at the school is so small."

Seven pictures, including a Madonna by Lucas van Leyden, valued at \$35,000, were stolen from the famous Castle of Lichtenstein in Austria.

Why Salves Can't Cure Eczema

Since the old-fashioned theory of curing eczema through the blood has been given up by scientists, many different salves have been tried for skin diseases. But it has been found that these salves only clog the pores and cannot penetrate to the inner skin below the epidermis where the eczema germs are lodged. This—the quality of penetrating—probably explains the tremendous success of the well known liquid eczema remedy, oil of watergreen, thymol, glycerine, etc., as compounded in D.D.D. Prescription. We have sold other remedies for skin troubles but none that we can recommend as highly as this for we know that D.D.D. stops the itch at once. We just want you to give D.D.D. a trial. That will be enough to prove it. Of course all other druggists have D.D.D. Prescription—go to them if you can't come to us—but don't accept some big profit substitute. But if you come to our store, we are so certain of what D.D.D. will do for you, that we offer you a full size bottle on this guarantee—If you do not find that it takes away the itch AT ONCE, it costs you nothing.

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INTER-ISLAND TO APPEAL ON WARD VERDICT

Smith, Warren, Hemenway & Sutton, counsel for the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company, said today there was little doubt an appeal will be taken from the territorial supreme court decision of yesterday in the case of George E. Ward against the company. The supreme court affirmed the verdict of the jury, awarding \$13,000 damages to Ward. Notice of appeal must be given by the defendant within the next ten days.

Whether the appeal will lie in the United States supreme court or in the ninth circuit court of appeals at San Francisco is a point not definitely ascertained. Members of the legal firm said they were not certain whether the new statute, restricting appeals from Hawaii to the ninth appellate circuit, had become law. If it has the appeal can go to the court at San Francisco only. If it is not yet law the appeal will go to the highest jurisdiction in the land.

VESSELS TO AND FROM THE ISLANDS

Thursday, March 25.
GRAYS HARBOR—Sailed, Mar. 24, sch. Alert, for Honolulu.
AUCKLAND—Sailed, Mar. 26, S. S. Nimgara, for Honolulu (3 days late).
PORT GAMBLE—Sailed, Mar. 23, sch. Spickane, for Kaunapali (not Honolulu).
SAN FRANCISCO—Sailed, Mar. 25, sch. Defender, for Hana.
PORT LUDLOW—Sailed, Mar. 25, sch. Robert Levers, for Honolulu.
S. S. SONOMA, sails for San Francisco at 5 p. m. today. Only mail in stamped envelopes received at C. Brewer & Co., Ltd., agents.

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